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**In the Specification:**

- Please amend the paragraph on page 11, lines 13-20, as shown below:

Turning back to step 315, if the telephone line has gone off-hook by a client side modem capable of supporting high speed capabilities of linecard modem 230, process 300 moves to step 350. At step ~~3550~~ 350, client side modem 210 generates a response or indication to linecard modem 230 by transmitting a tone identifying client side modem 210 as a high speed modem. Next, at step 355, client side modem 210 and linecard modem 230 initiate the handshaking process to establish a connection, at step 360, linecard modem 230 makes it possible for client side modem 210 to transmit data in digital form over digital switching network 240.